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Summary

At its 2000 session, from 15 to 19 May and 12 to 23 June 2000, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 80 new applications for consultative status and 37 applications deferred from its 1998 and 1999 sessions. Of those applications, the Committee recommended that the Economic and Social Council grant consultative status to 37 organizations, that the Council not grant consultative status to five organizations, that the applications of two organizations be resubmitted and that the file of one organization be closed. The Committee also deferred further consideration of 72 applications to a later date, and recommended that one organization be reclassified from special to general consultative status.

The present report contains four draft decisions on matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council.

By draft decision I, the Council would:

(a) Grant consultative status to 37 non-governmental organizations;

(b) Reclassify one organization from special to general consultative status;

(c) Not grant consultative status to five non-governmental organizations;

(d) Decide to close consideration of the application of one non-governmental organization;

(e) Decide that the applications of two non-governmental organizations be resubmitted;

(f) Decide that one non-governmental organization reapply as a new legal entity.

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By draft decision II, the Council would suspend the consultative status of two organizations, the International Council for the Association for Peace in the Continents and the Transnational Radical Party, for three years each.

By draft decision III, the Council would authorize the Committee to hold a resumed session for a period of two weeks in January/February 2001 to complete the work of its 2000 regular session.

By draft decision IV, the Council would take note of the present report and approve the provisional agenda for the 2001 session of the Committee.

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I. Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council

1. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I
Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

The Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) To grant the following non-governmental organizations consultative status:

General consultative status

None

Special consultative status

Ahmedabad Women's Action Group

AIDS Information Switzerland

Alan Guttmacher Institute

American Psychological Association

Annai Educational Society

Arab Centre for the Independence of the Judiciary and the Legal Profession

Asia-Japan Women's Resource Centre

Asian-Pacific Resource and Research Centre for Women

Asian Women in Cooperative Development Forum

Association tunisienne des droits de l'enfant

Child Welfare League of America

China Society for Promotion of the Guangcai Programme

Climate Institute

Development Promotion Group

Fonds E7 pour le développement énergétique durable

Fundacion "8 de Marzo" para la Promoción de Mujeres y Jóvenes

Global Eco-Village Network

Institute for Environment and Development Studies

Institute of International Social Development

International HIV/AIDS Alliance

International Planned Parenthood Federation (South Asia Region Office)

International Presentation Association

Islamic Centre (England)

Kenya Alliance for Advancement of Children

Mothers' Union

National Council of Women of Great Britain

Network of Human Development

Palestinian Centre for Human Rights

Peaceways

Radin Institute for Family Name

Research Centre for Feminist Action

Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries

Union of Kuwaiti Women Association

Voluntary Action Network India

Roster

Cherokee Nation of New Jersey

China Association of Women Entrepreneurs

Union internationale des journalistes et de la presse de langue française

(b) To reclassify one organization from special to general consultative status:

World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

(c) Not to grant consultative status to the following five organizations:

Association pour la fondation Mohsen Hachtroudi

Enchanté répertoire de la tranquilité

Kazem Rajavi International Association for Defense

North America Taiwanese Women's Association

Tamil Centre for Human Rights

(d) Close its consideration of the Council for the Defence of Human Rights and Freedom;

(e) That the applications of the following two organizations be resubmitted to the Committee at a later stage since these organizations had not yet been in existence for the mandatory two years to qualify for consideration, as follows:

(i) Hague Appeal for Peace will resubmit its application to the Committee at its 2000 resumed session;

(ii) Dominicans for Justice and Peace will resubmit its application to the Committee at its 2001 regular session;

(f) That the non-governmental organization Safari Club International should reapply as the Safari Club International Foundation when it fulfils the mandatory two years of existence to qualify for consideration of consultative status.

Draft decision II
Suspension of consultative status

The Economic and Social Council decides to suspend, for a period of three years, the special consultative status of the International Council of the Associations for Peace in the Continents and the general consultative status of the Transnational Radical Party in accordance with paragraph 57 of the Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996.

Draft decision III
Resumed 2000 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

The Economic and Social Council decides to authorize the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to hold a resumed session for a period of two weeks, in January/February 2001, in order to complete the work of its 2000 session.

Draft decision IV
Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2000 session and provisional agenda for the 2001 session of the Committee

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2000 session and approves the provisional agenda for the 2001 session of the Committee as set out below:

Provisional agenda

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
   (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the previous session of the Committee;
   (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification.
4. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304:
   (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;
   (b) Consideration of organizations whose defining characteristics are not in strict conformity with the provisions of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31;

(c) Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Secretariat;

(d) Other related matters.

5. Implementation of Economic and Social Council decision 1996/302.

6. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

7. Consideration of special reports.

8. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2002 session of the Committee.

9. Adoption of the report of the Committee.